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SUBJECT: UNITED KINGDOM WEST AFRICAN LINE (UKWAL)

SHIPPING CONFERENCE

REF: ABIDJAN 2982

1. EMBASSY OFFICER DISCUSSED SITUATION OF UKWAL WITH

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UK DEPT. OF TRADE (DOT) OFFICIAL WHO VISITED IVORY
COAST IN JANUARY. MATTER IS RECEIVING DOT'S ATTENTION,
BUT EMBASSY APPRAISAL IS THAT IF UK GOVERNMENT WERE TO
INTERVENE, IT WOULD PROBABLY BE IN SUPPORT OF UKWAL
RATHER THAN AS MEDIATOR.

2. HISTORY OF SITUATION IS SEEN SOMEWHAT DIFFERENTLY

BY DOT THAN REPORTED IN PARAS 4(C) AND 5 OF REFTEL.
DOT UNAWARE OF ANY REQUEST BY GOIC MINISTER OF MARINE
FADIGA DURING HIS OCTOBER 1976 VISIT TO HAVE UK INTER-
VENE OR OF THE UK HAVING TURNED HIM DOWN. JANUARY 1977
MEETING IN ABIDJAN DID NOT DISCUSS UKWAL MATTER, BUT
FOCUSED ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES AND IVORY COAST CUSTOMS
FINES AND SURCHARGES ON PORT DUTIES. ALTHOUGH UK
DELEGATION ON AFRICAN TRIP INCLUDED BRUCE FARTHING,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF BRITISH
SHIPPING AND PETER EARLAM OF UKWAL, THEY WERE SERVING AS
PUBLIC MEMBERS OF A UK DELEGAIED NOT AS REPRESENTA-
TIVES OF THEIR ORGANIZATIONS. MOREOVER, THERE WERE NO
BRITISH PORT UNION REPRESENTATIVES IN THE DELEGATION AND
DOT IS NOT AWARE OF ANY PORT UNION INVOLVEMENT AS YET
IN THE UKWAL CONTROVERSY.

3. EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW UP THE MATTER WITH DOT AND
PROVIDE EMBASSY ABIDJAN WITH ANY INFORMATION IT OBTAINS
ON UKWAL INTENTIONS.

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